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Honorable Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the office action of April 18, 2001, please amend the above identified application as follows:

In the claims:

1. {Amended} A method for simultaneous isolation of biologically active transcription factors and DNA comprising the steps of:

1. Collecting and maintaining cells from cultures or treated patients at a concentration in the range of $1-2 \times 10^5/\text{ml}$ in culture medium,
2. Treating cells with at least one test compound or obtaining the cells from the treated patients,
3. Collecting the cells by scrapping and by centrifuging at 1,000 rpm for 5 min in a table top centrifuge,
4. Washing the cell pellets twice with 5 ml ice cold PBS, (phosphate buffered saline, pH 7.4) by

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